

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please replace paragraph 1 of the specification with the following amended paragraph:

--This application incorporates by reference the following commonly-assigned and co-pending U.S. Patent Applications, filed on November 10, 2003: ~~IBM Docket Number RSW9-2003-0175US1~~United States Application Serial Number 10/704,836, entitled AUTOMATIC PARALLEL NON-DEPENDENT COMPONENT DEPLOYMENT; and ~~IBM Docket Number RSW9-2003-0176US1~~United States Application Serial Number 10/705,525, entitled PRE-DEPLOYMENT COMPONENT HOSTING ENVIRONMENT ANALYZER.--